ELA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING OF AUGUST 9. 2001

The Ela Township Board met on Thursday, August 9, 2001 at the Ela Township Senior Center located at 1025 Old McHenry Road, Lake Zurich at 7:00PM. The following official business was transacted during this regular scheduled Township Board Meeting.

2.0 MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Supervisor Tinerella called the meeting to order at 7:36PM. And led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3.0 BOARD ROLL CALL:

Present: Supervisor Tinerella, Clerk Prouty, Trustees Black, Burch, Knudston, and Sullivan.

OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS AND PERSONS PRESENT:

Highway Commissioner Kruckenberg.

Sue Neuschel (Ela Township Senior Director), Harry Wells, Phil Carona, Cindy Lichterman, Bruce Osborne and Maggie Dunn all from Omni, Barb Evans, Ray Pelelas, from Start, Kevin Auft of Forest Lake, Tom Tinerella of Echo Lake, and also Highway employee Tod Holland and wife Patty.

3.1 BOARD MINUTES:

Motion by Trustee Knudtson to accept the minutes of June 14,2001 and July 12, 2001 - seconded by Supervisor Tinerella. And the motion carried.

4.0 APPROVAL OF TOWNSHIP EXPENDITURES 7/13/01-8/9/01

GENERAL TOWN FUND: \$88,596.00 GENERAL ASSISTANCE: \$2,775.20 GENERAL ROAD FUND: \$5,523.60 PERMANENT ROAD FUND: \$25,089.66 PARK MAINTENANCE FUND: \$18,809.44

TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR THE MONTH: \$140,793.90

5.0 SOCIAL AGENCY FUNDING REQUESTS:

5. a OMNI - \$ 132,500 - with offices - \$157,500:

Harry Wells introduced his support group at 7:43pm. They included Bruce Osborne, Phil Carona, Cindy Lichterman, and Maggie Dunn.

Harry Wells explain the history of Omni and than he explain the budget to the Board. Cindy Lichterman talked about crisis intervention in the schools.

At 8:03 a storm hit and took out the electricity.

The meeting was adjourned until a later date to be announced later.

The continuation meeting was scheduled for 7:00pm August 20th at 95 E. Main Street, Lake Zurich, IL..

CONTINUATION OF AUGUST 9, 2001 ELA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MONDAY **AUGUST 20, 2001**

<u>Amended</u>
The Ela Township Board met on Monday, August 20, 2001 at the Ela Township Town Hall, 95 East Main Street, Lake Zurich, IL. At 7:00pm. The following official business was transacted during this re-scheduled Ela Township Board Meeting.

1.0 TRUSTEES REVIEW FINANCIALS (Previous approved on 8/9/01)

2.0 **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

Supervisor Tinerella called the meeting to order at 7:15pm. And led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3.0 ROLL CALL:

Present: Supervisor Tinerella, Clerk Prouty, Trustees Black, Burch, Knudtson, and Sullivan.

Other elected officials and persons present:

Highway Commissioner Bill Knuckenberg and Assessor Pamela Hoffman.

Sue Neuschel (Senior Director), Torie Flink from LaCasa, Barb Evans, Ray Pelelas, Julie Gyarmaty, L. Abbott, representing Start, Richard Johnson, and Tom Tinerella of Echo Lake, and also Highway employee Tod Holland and wife Patty.

3.1 **BOARD MINUTES: (Previous approved on 8/9/01)**

4.0 APPROVAL OF TOWNSHIP EXPENDITURES (Previous approved on 8/9/01)

5.0 **SOCIAL AGENCY FUNDING REQUESTS:**

5. a OMNI-\$132,000-WITH OFFICES-\$157,500:

Ela Township is the keeper of the youth fund and this year we deposited Omni grants from Lake Zurich \$44,500, Hawthorn Woods \$6,700 and Kildeer \$ 5200-total \$56,400. Treasurer issued check for \$5,620 in July and \$16,860 in August from the Trust Fund. This leaves a balance of \$35.858 in Trust Fund. OMNI's operation plans include receiving the full amount requested from Township-i.e., receipt of equal monthly payments of \$15,700. By the middle of November the Youth Trust Funds will be depleted at this payment rate.

5. b START \$150,000 (Standing Together for Art)

Barb Evans explained how the concept of Start was created. It was born out of all the Communities Partners pooling their resources – all the villages in Ela Township plus the library and the school district all need a place to come together. For an example in doing the Ela Festival of Arts we created Singers, Dancers, and Actors- and Cultural Arts was perceived. Ela Community for Success was the advisory board, and steering committee, plus volunteers. Community leaders started to talk and came up with an alternative finding and Cultural Connections were created. Start was created as a result of working together. First use of the funding would be to hire a leader. The Board would prefer being the facilitator and not the cornerstone. The Board agrees that the concept is sound and recommends meeting with all key players to assess commitment from other entities discussed.

5. c LACASA- \$ 10,000

Torie Flink explained to the Board that 1 out 8 girls and 1 out 5 boys are assaulted before the age of 18. The Board would like some numbers on how many they serve in Ela Township. Supervisor Tinerella expressed concern about the sharp decline in LaCASA's CAP presentations in our schools and confusion about the \$10,000 granted last year. Trustee Knudtson motion was to grant the \$10,000 to Lacasa with the stipulation that they try to provide the Cap program to more than the two schools in Ela Township. Trustee Black seconded motion. Roll call: Trustees Black, Burch, Knudtson, and Sullivan all voted aye and motion carried. Supervisor Tinerella voted nay.

6.0 <u>Highway Commissioner's Activity Report:</u>

6. a Project Updates- Paving & Echo Lake Storm Water

Highway Commissioner will probably max out his budget this year, as there is so much to be accomplished. Could use \$950,000 and we are only taxing \$400,000. But will probably use up his reserve. Storm water management will be switching Engineers. Paving will be hopefully completed this week. And we will not be doing any of Hawthorn Woods paving. More on the paving situation later.

6. b Overflow Soccer Parking Areas Designated

6. c Inventory of Capital Assets and Equipment

Inventory of assets near completion.

6. d Other Highway Issues

Highway Commissioner had a situation of helping an elderly lady in Forest Lake to redo her yard that was torn up by a developer and the developer reimbursed the lady with a \$300.00 check the Commissioner would like to donate the check to Forest Lake Parks. The Board was in agreement that if the Township used Township labor to accomplish this job that the money should come back to the Township. And to be sure to send a thank you note to the people involved. Also in the process of replacing two new vehicles, will purchase them from Prairie International at savings of \$10,000 off the sticker price.

6. e Computerized Tracking of Operations

6. f Bus Washing

Will be washing the buses during the working hours as don't want to be paying overtime. This will eliminate the need to pay more I.M.R.F. insurance.

7.0 Assessor's Activity Report

Closing out all new construction has valued all the exempt properties if they have sold. They now have a value on them. Will not be using Computer generated mass appraisal system –will be going with a tentative factor from the county-, which has really worked well in the past.

8.0 Adult and Senior Director' Report

Trustee Burch would like to have a special outing for Grandparents in Ela Township to be able to take their Grand children to a special showing of Pinocchio at the Marriott. Would charge a minimum fee of around \$5.00. Ela's Senior Director will work with Trustee Burch to put together a proposal for review/approval at the September Board meeting.

Supervisor Tinerella would like the 55-plus newsletter to go in the Township's New and Improved Quarterly newsletter scheduled to go out Q4. This would allow our Senior Program to reach over 17,000 households (vs. the 3,000 it gets sent to now) and would reduce overall printing and mailing costs.

8. a Computerization Events registering and reporting

The better to know who we are serving (i.e., those that come to our events), and to create a centralized database with program/event price lists and computerized event registering we have made modifications to an existing custom software program purchased by the Senior Center a year ago. Several format and reporting software changes have been made to accommodate to our needs. Sample of the reports will be our next meeting.

9.0 Park Report

9. a Projects Completed

Work completed at Knox Park: New fabric around tennis courts and roller skate rink. Baseball backstop replaced. Both parking lots seal coated and striped.

9. b Signage

Supervisor Tinerella provided a photo of Lake County's Forest Preserves standard sign format. The Board agreed this style would be nice for our Parks and requested Supervisor Tinerella to work-up a propose sign sizes and budgetary pricing for 2 signs at Knox and 1 sign at Knigge.

9. c Ela Area Sports Organizations

Meeting scheduled for Thursday September 6, 2001 at the Lake Zurich Village Hall.

9. d Knox Park Pending Projects

Pending work at Knox Park: Picnic tables to be replaced. 10 fixed trash cans to be installed. Materials on order and Flames Football have agreed to provide the labor to install the 10 trash cans and build the picnic tables.

Trustee Sullivan motion to allocate \$2000.00 for material to build 8 secured picnic tables, which will be constructed by the Flames. Supervisor Tinerella seconded the motion. Roll Call: Supervisor Tinerella, Trustees Black, Burch, Knudtson, and Sullivan all voted aye and the motion carried.

Discuss the need to replace the swing sets and remove one old sliding board at Knox Park Trustee Burch made the motion to purchase a 4-bay ached swing set from Miracle Recreation for \$4,200.00. Seconded by Supervisor Tinerella. Roll Call: Supervisor Tinerella, Trustees Black, Burch, and Sullivan all voted aye and the motion carried. Trustee Knudtson voted nay. Discuss the need to replace the concrete around the storage building at Knox Park. Supervisor advises there is approximately 600SFof concrete to be taken out and replaced-estimating cost at \$7-8SF. Trustee Burch estimated the cost at \$3.50SF. Trustee Burch to look at the area and to identify any other options to keep the water away from the building. This decision about how to solve the problem to be taken at next Board meeting.

Trustee Knudtson made a motion to have the ugly cement object (not sure of the proper identification of the cement object) painted. Seconded by Trustee Burch. Roll Call: Supervisor Tinerella, Trustees Black, Burch, Knudtson, and Sullivan all voted aye and the motion carried. Also replacing the old dumpsters. Will hide them behind a decorative fence.

9. e Knigge Park Parking Lot Expansion

Highway Department is installing drain tile from the hilltop, under the parking lot expansion area, along side of the south end of the playing field and dumping the water into the existing manhole off Echo Lake Road. Supervisor Tinerella notified the Board of her intent to alter the previous plans on the parking lot expansion.

A lengthy discussion took place on the Parking Lot Expansion and the following motion was derived.

Trustee Burch made the motion to put in the original designed parking lot without any changes and with accordance to the entrance going in the South and coming out the North. Trustee Sullivan seconded the motion. Roll Call: Trustees Black, Burch, Knudtson, and Sullivan all voted aye and the motion carried. Supervisor Tinerella voted nay.

10. <u>Facilities Reports:</u>

10 .a Updates 95 E. Main- Historical Center

In May we informed the Historical Society of our plans to have the first floor remodeled and ready for their move upstairs by November- and to have the cabinets installed by December. Trustee Burch will have the completed plans for the Board at next meeting. Can't start until we have all the signatures on the sketches. Theses the Supervisor will hand deliver to Mrs. Tolomei as soon as possible.

10. b 99 E. Main-Assessor/Supervisor/Clerk Offices

Accomplish cleaning out the back storage garage and have moved all the handicap equipment into that area and we are now separated from the Lion's storage. Have talked to the village about the water in the parking lot and they are sending over an engineer to investigate the elevation. The village also wanted to know if we were interested in having a chair or bench in the front of the building and Supervisor Tinerella inform them that there was not any space as we are all driveway.

10. c Ela Park

There is a need to replace some swings at the Ela Park. Trustee Burch made a motion to allocate \$3058.00 to install the round swing sets .Seconded by Trustee Black. Roll Call: Supervisor Tinerella, Trustees Black, Burch, and Sullivan all voted aye and the motion carried. Trustee Knudtson voted nay.

10. d 22605 Echo Lake Road- Highway Department

Trustee Burch motion was to have the Supervisor sign the contract in the morning to have Allstar put in the binder and gravel and to get this to the Highway Department. And our Highway Department will excavate the other driveway. And this will be in addition to his contract in per square footage in accordance with other square footage prices and would also include that the Highway Department give the drawings for the striping to Allstar and have them do it. Seconded by Trustee Sullivan. Roll Call: Supervisor Tinerella, Trustees Black, Burch, Knudtson, and Sullivan all voted aye and the motion carried.

11.0 Community Communications

11.a NEWSLETTER

Supervisor Tinerella met with Des Plaines Publishing to get pricing for various newsletter formats/paper/ink. Learn we can publish an 8 page, 4 color newsletter(newspaper size) for 30 cents a copy @ 17,000 copies- this also includes photo scans and layout work. Trustee Burch made the motion to spend \$5400.00 to produce a newsletter and mail by October 1st. Seconded by Trustee Sullivan. Roll Call: Supervisor Tinerella, Trustees Black, Burch, Knudtson, and Sullivan all voted aye and the motion carried

11. b Web Site

12. Adjournment of regular meeting

At 11.50 pm a motion to go into executive session was made by Supervisor Tinerella and seconded by Trustee Black. Roll Call: Supervisor Tinerella, Trustees Black, Burch, Knudtson, and Sullivan all voted aye and the motion carried.

At 12:17 Trustee Black motion adjourn seconded by Trustee Knudtson. Roll Call: Supervisor Tinerella, Trustees Black, Burch, Knudtson, and Sullivan all voted aye and the motion carried.

